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Office Action Summary

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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- Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on _____.
- 2a) ☐ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11; 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-28 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above, claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-28 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claims _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- 11) ☐ The proposed drawing correction filed on _____ is: a) ☐ approved b) ☐ disapproved by the Examiner.
If approved, corrected drawings are required in reply to this Office action.
- 12) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and 120

- 13) ☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
*See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.
- 14) ☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e).
a) ☐ The translation of the foreign language provisional application has been received.
- 15) ☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and/or 121.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413) Paper No(s). _____
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s). 2 6) ☐ Other:

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DETAILED ACTION

1. This application has been examined.
2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

(e) the invention was described in-

- (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effect under this subsection of a national application published under section 122(b) only if the international application designating the United States was published under Article 21(2)(a) of such treaty in the English language; or
- (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that a patent shall not be deemed filed in the United States for the purposes of this subsection based on the filing of an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a).

3. Claims 1-28 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Patterson et al (6122741).
4. Regarding claim 1, Patterson et al show a method for automatically determining from a plurality of display fields displayed on a computer monitor the location of first and second display fields with characteristics and a mutual predefined relationship (Figures 2, 3, 6, column 2 lines 1-15), including: identifying the first display field among the plurality of display fields

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based on the characteristic of the first display field (column 3 lines 25-40, 45-60), identifying the second display field from among the plurality of display fields based on the predefined relationship (column 4 lines 1-30, 40-53).

5. Regarding claim 2, the first display field is a password display field and the second is a user identification field (column 3 lines 30-40, column 4 lines 5-20).
6. Regarding claim 3, the identifying step monitors the fields and detects the field having the characteristic (the access right column 3 lines 20-40, or alternatively the logon information itself column 4 lines 5-19).
7. Regarding claim 4, the access rights (column 3 lines 20-40) are non-displayable attributes.
8. Regarding claim 5, an emulator generates fields on the monitor (column 3 lines 1-10), and the monitoring step examines a new display field in response to an interrupt generated when the cursor is positioned in a new display field (column 3 lines 7-12, column 4 lines 40-50, column 5 lines 10-20).

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9. Regarding claim 6, the fields are monitored and it is determined which field has the predefined relationship (column 5 lines 9-25 and 45-55).
10. Regarding claim 7, a new display field is monitored when an interrupt is generated by positioning the cursor in the new field (column 6 lines 19-35).
11. Regarding claim 8, the predefined relationship is that the second field is the first non empty field preceding the first field (column 4 lines 5-21).
12. Regarding claim 9, the predefined relationship is that the second field is positioned a predetermined number of fields from the first field (column 4 lines 22-40).
13. Regarding claim 10, the predetermined number of fields are of non empty fields (column 4 lines 20-45 - the logon and access fields are nonempty).
14. Claims 11-28 show the same features as above and are rejected for the same reasons.
15. Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Steve Sax at telephone number (703) 305-9582.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Steve Sax whose telephone number is (703) 305-9582. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday from 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kristine Kincaid, may be reached at (703) 308-0640.

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